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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Response to the Office Action dated April 5, 2004.
Enclosed please find the following documents relating to the application:

1. a Response including amended claims;
2. a Petition for Extension of Time along with a check for the extension fee;
3. a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) with a check for the required fee;
4. a return postcard; and
5. an Express Mail Certificate.

Please address all correspondence regarding this patent application to me at the address set out above.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laurence A. Weinberger".

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Enclosures